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TEXTILE MILLS MAKE BIG CUT IN WAGES

CONTROL OF DANZIG TO GO TO POLES

Action of English and French Premiers Criticized by League.

Geneva, Dec. 13.—(United Press.)—The German government today presented a new note to the assembly of the League of Nations regarding the decision of the council of the league regarding the award of Eupen and Malmedy, former German territory, to Belgium.

(The districts of Eupen and Malmedy, small parts of West Prussia surrounding towns of the same names, were taken away from Germany under the treaty of Versailles.)

Geneva, Dec. 13.—(Associated Press.)—Military control of Danzig by Poland has been recommended to the Council of the League of Nations in a report from the military commission. This recommendation, should it be adopted, would be in line with a request from the Polish government some time ago, it being alleged at that time that military control of the port of Danzig was necessary to insure the transport of food, munitions and raw materials to Poland.

The Council has decided to refer the report, along with a suggestion by Viscount Isami of Japan, that a military commission study the means to defend the town to the High Commissioner, who will be asked to send in a report.

Separate action by the premiers of France and Great Britain on matters before the Assembly of the League of Nations are made of great moment by the committee on admission of new states. Lord Robert Cecil, representative of Great Britain, and Dr. Nansen, of Norway, are in criticizing the action of these governments in announcing policies regarding such questions as the admission of Armenia through other channels than their representatives at the Assembly meeting here, who are charged with such problems.

Rene Viviani of France, who has been said to be most particularly opposed by the declaration of the British and French premiers that Armenia should not be admitted to the League, was not present today. Comment on the incident continues to be one of the predominant features of the meeting, the opinion being expressed that if powers desire to continue to treat such questions in the old form of diplomatic action they are not ready for the League of Nations.

Leon Bourgeois of France, has presented a report from the committee on an international court. The plan finally adopted by the committee differs from Elihu Root's plan chiefly in the fact that jurisdiction of the tribunal would be voluntary instead of obligatory.

United States Senator Medill McCormick watched proceedings during this morning's session from the press gallery.

Adopted Court.

Geneva, Dec. 13.—(By The Associated Press.)—The plan for an international court, submitted to the assembly of the League of Nations by its committee, which had been considering the subject, was unanimously adopted by the assembly at today's session.

Manager May of Monon Route Must Tell Coroner What He Knows of Suicide Case.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—(By United Press.)—A coroner's inquiry was held today into the death of Mrs. Maudie Viola Reynolds, widow of a Chicago coal dealer, who was found under mysterious circumstances in a gas-filled room of her luxuriously furnished apartment.

H. C. May, general manager of the Monon railroad, has been notified by Coroner Peter M. Hoffman to appear at an inquest today, where it is planned to question him.

According to police, May and Mrs. Reynolds were close friends. Mrs. May, whose home is in La Grange, Ind., plans to attend the inquest with her husband.

Police found several letters addressed to "Mrs. May" in Mrs. Reynolds' apartment.

NAIVE ROMANCE OF PARSON AND CHOIR SINGER

Preacher and "Trina" Who Left Together Return to Face Music.

Passaic, N. J., Dec. 13.—(United Press.)—The little Dutch community here as much a part of the old world as The Netherlands itself, apparently went solidly about its business today, but under the surface calm there was a seething current of gossip and speculation about the latest turn to the naive romance of the preacher and the choir girl.

Public ex-communication yesterday of the parents of the girl, Miss Trina Hannenberg, from the First Netherlands church of which the preacher, the Rev. Cornelius Denzel, was the titular head in this country, provided food for comment by the good wives and younger members of the congregation.

As when the preacher and the girl first returned together last week from a month's joint absence, presumably in Canada, the parishioners were divided in sentiment regarding the culpability of the principals. One faction continued to regard the whole affair as an act of God, with which neither Denzel nor Miss Hannenberg was responsible. The ones holding this belief argued that the dominion should be returned to his pulpit. There were others who felt that the girl and her family were responsible for the romance and who accepted Denzel's explanation that he returned to his wife and eight children as soon as God had pointed out to him his error on the streets of Buffalo. These held that the expulsion of Mr. and Mrs. Marinus Hannenberg from the church was only justice. Still others, and these included the majority of men in the congregation, openly declared that the minister should also be read out of the church.

Both Parties Secluded. So far as known, Denzel has not left the parsonage since he was welcomed back with open arms by his family. Miss Hannenberg also remained in seclusion. Mrs. Denzel, who had refused to add to her original statement that she had given her husband, was reported to be suffering from a nervous breakdown.

The future status of Denzel may be determined at a meeting of the church consistory tonight. It was generally believed a call would be extended to some minister in Holland and that the local pulpit would be occupied meantime by the dominion of one of the nearby churches or one of the elders.

NOTED AUTHOR DIES IN LONDON

London, Dec. 13.—Olive Schreiner (Mrs. Cronwright-Schreiner), the author, is dead.

Olive Schreiner, born in Beaufort, daughter of the late Rev. G. Schreiner, a missionary from London, gained early fame by one of her first publications, "The Story of an African Farm." She published several other books, including "An Englishman's South African View of the Situation," in 1899, and "Women and Labor." She was married in 1894 to S.C. Cronwright.

A Free Booklet On the Care of Food in the Home

Every woman should know all about the care of food in the home.

She should know how to guard against damage from flies, dust, mold and everything else that will taint what the family eats.

If a woman is not wise and vigilant in these matters she not only risks her own health, but that of all whom she serves.

Now comes Uncle Sam to help out in this important matter.

A free booklet is waiting for every woman who will send for it—a booklet which gives the results of careful scientific study on the safe way to keep all kinds of food. It has many illustrations.

Send for a copy and send the name of some other woman who may not see this offer.

In filling out the coupon print name and address or be sure to write plainly.

Frederic J. Haskin, Director, The Rock Island Argus Information Bureau, Washington, D. C. I enclose herewith two cents in stamps for return postage on a free copy of the booklet "Care of Food in the Home."

Name..... Street..... City..... State.....

FLAMES OF CORK STILL SMOULDER

Military Patrol Razed Districts—Burn Over 300 Buildings.

Cork, Ireland, Dec. 13.—(Associated Press.)—More than three hundred buildings are said to have been destroyed in the fires which yesterday laid waste a great part of this city. Most of the fires have been extinguished but there are occasional sporadic outbursts of flames.

Fire fighters arrived from Dublin and Limerick today to relieve the weary Cork brigade in conquering the last smoldering flames. Military patrolling the razed districts aided the firemen.

Estimates of damage ran as high as \$30,000,000. Aside from the structures, stores of goods of unknown value were lost in the fire.

Ambush Patrol. A military patrol was ambushed at Cloyne, seven miles east of Queenstown yesterday. The attackers threw bombs from two houses, but were defeated. Two of the attackers were killed, several wounded and two captured. One soldier was wounded.

The houses from which the bombs were thrown were burned.

Blackened Ruins. London, Dec. 13.—British regulars stood guard today over twisted and blackened ruins left the fires which on Saturday night and yesterday swept virtually unchecked through the city of Cork, Ireland.

Hours of terror were spent by the people of Cork during Saturday night, the widest disorder prevailing throughout the city. It is said several lives were lost, and dispatches declare two brothers named Delaney were called from their homes and shot, one of them fatally.

Two districts of Cork were swept by the flames. In the business section, along St. Patrick's street, from Cook to Maylor, hardly a shop was left unscathed. This was the shopping center of Cork and in untroubled times boasted many prosperous stores. The street of St. Patrick's street the fire ran uncontrolled along Winthrop street and other narrow thoroughfares as far as old George street. Thus an area of three blocks in this part of the town was reduced to masses of debris.

It was not in this district, however, that the loss of the fire was centered.

The magnificent city hall of Cork, located on the southern end of the Parnell bridge that spans the river Lee also was laid in ruins. In addition, the Carnegie library, just across Anglesea street to the west, was burned, and the Corn Exchange, just behind the city hall and to the south, was at least partially destroyed. Reports say Albert Quay, lying along the southern bank of the river, is a mass of desolation.

Soldiers in Control. Dispatches reaching London today say Cork is under martial law and that order were given to the regular soldiers to shoot looters on sight.

Damaged premises have been plundered in some instances. It is said, but the military is in absolute control at present.

Rumors relative to the loss of life are conflicting and are, for the most part, vague and conjectural. Exact details of the events leading up to the conflagration of Saturday night have not as yet been received here. Some reports tend to question the accuracy of earlier dispatches, but others repeat the story told in first reports. All indicate that the disorders and fires had a direct connection with the attack made on the lorry carrying police auxiliaries.

Some newspapers are frankly skeptical of these reports and suggest the fires might have been caused by the explosion of stored explosives such as were found on Saturday in the city of Dublin. Others indicate their belief the fires were a reply to the establishment of martial law in southwestern Ireland, and it is remarked that dispatches have not furnished proof that the fires were set by men bent on reprisals.

Monsignor Daniel Cohan, bishop of Cork, is said to have announced in his cathedral last evening his intention to excommunicate any one participating in further ambushes of crown forces in his diocese.

"BUILDING TRUST" PROBE. New York, Dec. 13.—A proposition for the United States senate committee, which has been empowered to investigate building conditions throughout the country, to hold sessions in New York in conjunction with the joint legislative committee in its investigation of the alleged "building trust" will be submitted the federal body by Senator William M. Calder, its chairman, he announced today.

He decided on this policy of aid to the state committee, he said, after having been informed of the obstacles facing the joint committee in summoning witnesses who have gone to other states.

FAITH!



FACES HANGING AS PENALTY IN MURDER CASE

Jury Finds Santino De Santis Guilty—Love for Girl Caused Riot.

Marion, Ill., Dec. 13.—(United Press.)—Unrequited love caused the West Frankfort riots last fall; the love of a blacklander for a pretty little Italian girl.

Today the girl in the case, Mary Calcaterra, is free; her brother Amel is dead; her lover, Frank Bianco, committed suicide; and Santino De Santis has been found guilty of murder by a jury which fixed the penalty as hanging.

The last chapter in the sordid story growing out of the love of Frank Bianco for the Calcaterra girl was started yesterday when a jury here, after 15 hours' deliberation, brought in the verdict of guilty. The story started last August when the bodies of Amel Calcaterra and Tony Hemphill, his closest friend, were found brutally mutilated. In reprisal mobs roamed the streets of the little mining town of West Frankfort taking one life, injuring a score and doing thousands of dollars damage to the property of foreigners.

The web of evidence slowly tightened about Frank Bianco. Authorities learned of his love for Mary and her refusal to comply with his wishes. She told of his power over her; of his making up in the role of a "devil" and forcing her to sign mysterious papers with her own blood. He was arrested and attempted suicide leaving behind a note stating that he had offered to pay De Santis \$200 to kill Amel and a brother-in-law of Mary's, Marco Calcaterra. Marco has not been since, it was stated. The attempt failed, however, and Bianco and De Santis were held to stand trial.

Last week Bianco, in the midst of his trial made his second attempt to take his life and succeeded. The court held that the trial would have to proceed as De Santis could not twice be put in jeopardy of his life. Yesterday the jury decided his fate and today it is expected the judge will pass sentence.

THE WEATHER

Rain this afternoon turning to light snow tonight. Tuesday, unsettled. Colder tonight, with the lowest temperature about 23 degrees.

Highest yesterday, 52; lowest last night, 50.

12 m. 7 p.m. today. Dry bulb temp., 47 51 53. Wet bulb temp., 44 48 52. Rel. humidity, 82 80 93. River stage, 2.6; no change in last 24 hours.

River Forecast. Only slight changes in the Mississippi will occur from Clinton to Muscatine.

J. M. SHERIER, Meteorologist.

HELP YOUNG MOTHER BY EDUCATION

Women to Request Congress for \$4,000,000 Appropriation.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE. (Special to The Argus.)

Washington, Dec. 13.—When the American woman left "her place in the home" on election day she paved the way for the adoption of a piece of legislation that will do more for the home perhaps than any one law in American history. Early next week congress will consider the first legislative proposal made by the women of America since universal suffrage was granted. Not only have the women done the unprecedented thing of asking for a relatively insignificant appropriation—only \$4,000,000—but they have pointed out how that four million dollars can be of as much or more benefit to the American nation as any other four million dollars in the whole federal budget of four million dollars.

Briefly, the women ask that the federal government, in cooperation with the states of the union, shall educate young mothers in the maternity period so that they will not only have the proper knowledge of hygiene before and after the birth of their children, but in need cases nurses and physicians shall be ready to come to their aid instantly. Not only have some pitiful cases of neglect, in country districts especially, come to the attention of the women who have investigated these questions, but statistics show that America lost 250,000 infants last year, or a total of 20,000 a month, most of whom might have been saved by proper attention. Indeed, in 1918, 23,000 mothers died from causes that could have been prevented. Fully 80 per cent of the cases investigated in different cases show that lack of care was the principal reason for death.

America Far Behind. America has been far behind in this kind of social legislation. The United States stands 14th in the list of civilized countries which have taken up the problem. New Zealand, which has had woman suffrage longer than any other country, stands at the top of the list and has greatly reduced her infant mortality. Great Britain also has been in the front rank in this movement.

The Sheppard-Towner bill, prepared by Senator Sheppard of Texas, a Democrat, and Representative Tower of Iowa, a Republican, would appropriate \$2,000,000 at first but with provision to increase it annually till it reaches \$4,000,000, and the states of the union

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HARDING GETS ROOT'S ADVICE AT CONFERENCE

President-Elect May Use Part of Present League in New Plan.

Marion, Ohio, Dec. 13.—Advice on the plan for an Association of Nations was sought by President-elect Harding today from Elihu Root, former secretary of state, and more recently a conferee with leading European statesmen in the formation of a world court under the Versailles league covenant.

The conference, regarded as one of the most important to be held by Mr. Harding in his "meeting of minds" here, is understood to have concerned as to how far the machinery of the present league may be used in building a world peace concert acceptable to the United States.

Throughout the league fight Mr. Root advocated acceptance of the Versailles covenant with reservations, and during his world court conference abroad he expressed much faith in some portions of the covenant. Details of his talk with Mr. Harding today were not revealed, however, both he and the president-elect saying his recommendations were entirely confidential.

In asking Mr. Root's advice, Mr. Harding is understood to have sought in particular for information about practical working of the league as observed by the former secretary of state during his visits to Europe. Questions on the same subject were put by Mr. Harding yesterday to Herbert Hoover, who recommended that the league machinery, with changes, be used to rearing the proposed Association of Nations.

Cabinet Gossip. The visit of Mr. Root again brought his name into prominence in gossip about the cabinet selections of the incoming administration. It has been suggested in various quarters that Mr. Harding might ask him to again become head of the state department, but their meeting today furnished no outward evidence to support or discredit that report.

Dr. John Wesley Hill of New York also had an appointment with Mr. Harding today to discuss the league and various other subjects.

KILLS HUNTING PARTNER. Athens, Ill., Dec. 13.—Gilbert Kenyon, 16 years old, of Athens, was killed yesterday morning when his hunting partner, Voel England, a lad of his own age, stumbled and accidentally discharged his shotgun. The shot struck Kenyon, who was eight feet away, in the back and pierced his heart. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kenyon.

CAPTAIN ROBINSON DIES. Constantinople, Dec. 12.—Captain J. Robinson, U. S. A., of Oakland, California, died in the American hospital here yesterday. He was in charge of grain distribution for the American commission for relief in the Near East.

MASSACHUSETTS FIRM ANNOUNCE REDUCTION TO TAKE EFFECT DEC. 20

KING OF GREECE MAKES REFUSAL TO QUIT THRONE

Constantine Resolves to Hold Fast to Newly Recovered Scepter.

Lucerne, Switzerland, Dec. 13.—(By The Associated Press.)—Constantine of Greece today declared he would not abdicate the throne.

Prof. Georgios Streit, his confidential advisor, last week denied reports that Constantine might abdicate in favor of Crown Prince George, but today's utterance by Constantine was his first direct statement on the subject.

"I will not abdicate and never had any such intention," Constantine said in his farewell interview with the correspondents preliminary to his departure for Venice tomorrow, enroute to Athens.

Athens, Dec. 12.—Prof. Georgios Streit, former Greek minister of foreign affairs and professor of international law in the University of Athens, who was barred by the Greek government from returning to Greece last week, when ex-King Constantine was invited to re-assume the throne, is expected to return to Athens within a few weeks under a decree providing for the reinstatement of university professors.

Prof. Streit would be pledged to confine his activities to the teaching of international law. He has been Constantine's close advisor at Lucerne.

SEEKS TO KILL WIFE, BABE AND SELF IN CRASH

Galesburg Man, Amuck With Hootch, Drives Ford Into Car

Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 13.—Crazed with drink, Jesse G. Gunnell, an automobile mechanic of this city, deliberately drove his Ford touring car in which his wife, his 3-year-old son and another man, were riding as passengers, head-on into a moving street car last evening. As a result of the crash, the child lies unconscious at the hospital with concussion of the brain and Gunnell is held at the city jail.

According to statements made by Mrs. Gunnell, her husband had been threatening to kill her and the little boy. She said he drove the automobile down the car tracks toward the approaching street car, yelling, "I'm going to kill you."

Mrs. Gunnell was not injured.

JOHNSON BILL PASSES HOUSE

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Johnson immigration bill, amended to prohibit all immigration for a period of one year, was passed today by the house. It now goes to the senate where its defeat is predicted by senate leaders.

The vote was 233 for the bill and 41 against. Six members voted "present."

The Segel amendment exempting brothers and sisters of aliens who have become American citizens was approved, 203 to 73.

Immediately after the vote was announced, Chairman Johnson of the immigration committee, issued a statement saying that the 1250 immigrants who arrived at New York on Saturday on the White Star liner Adriatic, had been sent to Hoffman island because of an outbreak of typhus among them, and that at Gloucester, N. J., 11 aliens had been taken from the steamship Havford and sent to the detention station suffering with typhus.

BURNED TO DEATH. Washington, Dec. 13.—One patient was believed burned to death when fire destroyed psychiatric wards of the Walter Reed military hospital.



Lawrence and New Bedford Plants Join in Readjustment of Scale.

New York, Dec. 13.—Reports from mill centers give every indication that wage reductions, announced for Dec. 20, by large manufacturing plants, will be resisted. John Golden, president of the United Textile Workers of America, declared here today. Mr. Golden said that the union's executive committee will consider the situation at a conference here on Friday.

Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 13.—First announcement of actual reduction of textile operatives' wages by large mill corporations was made today by the Pacific mills, and the Arlington mills of this city. Their 16,900 workers, constituting one-half of the operatives of this textile center, were notified that a readjustment had been made, effective Dec. 20. In accordance with custom the amount was not stated, but it was understood to approximate 22 1/2 per cent as suggested by a manufacturers' conference last week.

No word of its attitude on the question of wage reduction came from the American Woolen company, whose four local mills employ most of the other operatives in the city.

President William M. Wood announced several days ago that his directors had not considered the question at that time.

The Pacific and Arlington mills make principally cotton cloths, but have worsted specialties under production. The notices posted follow: "Under lack of orders and lack of stock conditions in the textile industry, it has become necessary to make a readjustment in wages to take effect Monday, Dec. 20. We hope this reduction will cause merchants to feel secure in placing their orders for merchandise."

Cut at New Bedford.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 13.—Wage reductions affecting approximately 40,000 operatives, were announced today by all cotton mills connected with the New Bedford Manufacturers' association. The reduction, amounting to 22 1/2 per cent, will become effective next Monday.

Wait for Other Mills. Salem, Mass., Dec. 13.—The Neumkeag Steam Cotton company will be governed in its action on wage schedules for its 1,100 operatives by the policy in other centers. J. Foster Smith, the agent of the company, announced today.

SIX KILLED AS CAR TURNS OVER

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 13.—(United Press.)—Running wild, a one-man country club "safety" street car turned over on a curve at the head of Main street cut, careened on its side against two other street cars and crashed into a steel pole, killing six persons and injuring more than a score. Failure of brakes to work and consequent inability to open doors operated by air, was the reason assigned for the accident. The "safety" car rolled 200 feet, scattering bleeding and moaning humanity over the street. The light car was torn to pieces by the three different impacts, wreckage piling up on the dead and dying.

When he saw the car was beyond control, Motorman Charles E. Ferguson urged passengers to keep their seats and made frantic but futile efforts to stop the runaway.

BIG BLACK BEAR BOLD BURGLAR!

Homer, Ill., Dec. 13.—Charles E. Burkhardt and his wife were roused from their slumbers last night by the crash of a window and a lumbering noise on the first floor of their home. Burglars evidently had broken in.

Burkhardt, holding a gun, went down stairs and found the "burglar" was a big black bear. But he knew her. It was "Nellie," one of the attractions at Homer park, an amusement place here. She had broken out of her winter home on the Burkhardt place and gone hunting for her master.

Mrs. Burkhardt saved the situation. Nellie has a sweet tooth and she coaxed her back to her quarters on the vacant lot by giving her cookies and other sweets. Nellie simply ruined the lace curtains but did not bite or scratch anybody.